THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) The number of houses constructed by Chandigarh Housing Board during the last 3 years is as under:

Year	No. of houses constructed
1986-87	1494
1987-88	1725
198-89	3339
TOTAL	6558

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The details of houses allotted out of turn by the Administrator and Board out of their allotted quota of 5% each are as under:

Year	No. of houses allotted by	
	Administrator	Board
1986-87	20	19
1987-88	56	56
988-89	44	45
TOTAL	120	120

Issue of ration cards to all the citizens of the country

518. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to issue ration cards to all the citizens of the country without insisting on the applicant having a regular/fixed place of residence; and

(b) if so, what is the number of Jhuggi/pavement dwellers in Delhi who have been issued ration cards during the last three months?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) Administration of the Public Distribution System rests with the State Governments/UT Administrations. Decisions regarding conditions of issue of ration cards, are taken by them.

(b) Over 70,000 food cards have been issued to residents of identifiable jhuggi jhopri clusters.

Import of rice

519. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have imported rice in the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the names of the exporting countries and the quantity imported country-wise;

(c) whether Government have decided to import rice during the current year and also next year; and

(d) if so, the quantity proposed to be imported and the names of countries, together with periods when the rice consignments are likely to be received ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) and (b) There was no import of rice dnring the years 1986-87 and 1987-88. India imported 6.84 lakh Metric Tonnes of rice from Thailand during 1988-89 to replenish